

## OPINION 1791

### *Procervulus* Gaudry, 1877 (Mammalia, Artiodactyla): *Antilope dichotoma* Gervais, 1849 designated as the type species

#### Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers all previous fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Procervulus* Gaudry, 1877 are hereby set aside and *Antilope dichotoma* Gervais, 1849 is designated as the type species.

(2) The name *Procervulus* Gaudry, 1877 (gender: masculine), type species by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above *Antilope dichotoma* Gervais, 1849, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *dichotoma* Gervais, 1849, as published in the binomen *Antilope dichotoma* (specific name of the type species of *Procervulus* Gaudry, 1877) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

#### History of Case 2883

An application for the designation of *Antilope dichotoma* Gervais, 1849 as the type species of *Procervulus* Gaudry, 1877 was received from Drs A.W. Gentry (clo *The Natural History Museum, London, U.K.*) and G. Rössner (*Universitäts-Institut für Paläontologie und historische Geologie, München, Germany*) on 8 March 1993. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 50: 137–139 (June 1993). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

A comment in support from Dr A.M. Lister (*University College London, London, U.K.*) was published in BZN 50: 296 (December 1993).

#### Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1994 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 50: 138. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1994 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 26: Bayer, Bock, Bouchet, Cocks, Corliss, Dupuis, Hahn, Halvorsen, Heppell, Holthuis, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys, Thompson, Trjapitzin, Willink

Negative votes — none.

No votes were received from Cogger and Uéno.

Ride was on leave of absence.

#### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*dichotoma*, *Antilope*, Gervais, 1849, *Compte Rendu Hebdomadaire des Séances de l'Académie des Sciences*, 28: 549.

*Procervulus* Gaudry, 1877, *Les enchaînements du monde animal dans les temps géologiques. Mammifères tertiaires*, p. 88; *La Revue Scientifique de la France et de l'Étranger*, (2)13(24): 555.